But perhaps Danny's defining quality was this—in a time and profession that increasingly rewards grandstanding and grasping for the spotlight, Danny served with intelligence, grace and humility. And while he was always a humble and quiet leader, when Danny spoke other Senators listened closely and took his words to heart. His voice never wavered when it came to advocating for an America that leaves no one behind

He was a giant in the Senate, and we will never forget the legacy he leaves behind. As the last World War II veteran in the Senate, I promise to always do whatever I can to uphold his commitment to service and love of country.

Mr. CASEY. Mr. President, I am proud to join my colleagues in remembering our friend and colleague Senator Daniel Inouye. Dan Inouye dedicated his life to Hawaii and represented Hawaii from when it achieved statehood until his death.

Senator Inouye was respected and loved by members of both parties and both chambers. He was the last Senator to serve with both Everett Dirksen and Richard Russell. Senator Inouye learned early the importance of doing something for the good of the Nation and the good of the Senate, as well as the importance of personal relationships and trust among colleagues. For Dan Inouye, his word was his bond and that applied to Democrats and Republicans alike. He became the chairman of the Appropriations Committee, the Senate President Pro-Tempore, was the second longest serving Senator in history and served on special committees investigating the Watergate and Iran Contra scandals. At the time of his death, he had long become a Senate giant in his own right.

Long before reaching the Senate, Dan Inouye was an American hero. Enlisting in the Army after the bombing of Pearl Harbor, he served in Europe earning a Bronze Star, Purple Heart and Distinguished Service Cross for helping his fellow soldiers while suffering terrible injuries. Later in life, President Clinton would confer upon him the Medal of Honor.

His moral character and life experiences made Senator Inouye a leader on many of the pressing issues of the day from civil rights to veterans benefits and from health care to helping people with disabilities. Through his position on the Appropriations Committee, Senator Inouye was able to direct funding to important projects and research that helped bring about important advancements as well as simply help people.

Dan Inouye was also a strong supporter of Israel and the Jewish community. From his advocacy on behalf of Holocaust survivors, to his efforts to help free Jews from the former Soviet Union to his influential role in securing funding for Israel, Senator Inouye was a tireless friend and advocate. He was given the nickname "Trumpeldor"

after a Zionist hero, Joseph Trumpeldor.

In closing, I am reminded of a quote used to eulogize Daniel Webster that President Nixon used when eulogizing Everett Dirksen, "Our great men are the common property of the country." Senator Inouye was indeed a great man and our country is better off today for his commitment, his conscience and his years of dedicated service.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING RECESS

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2013, the Secretary of the Senate, on January 4, 2013, during the recess of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the Speaker had signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 41. An act to temporarily increase the borrowing authority of the Federal Emergency Management Agency for carrying out the National Flood Insurance Program.

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2013, the enrolled bill was subsequently signed on January 4, 2013 by the President pro tempore (Mr. LEAHY).

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:03 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 152. An act making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, to improve and streamline disaster assistance for Hurricane Sandy, and for other purposes.

H.R. 219. An act to improve and streamline disaster assistance for Hurricane Sandy, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution 2, 113th Congress, and the order of the House of January 3, 2013, the Speaker appoints the following Members of the House of Representatives to the Joint Congressional Committee on

Inaugural Ceremonies: Mr. BOEHNER of Ohio, Mr. CANTOR of Virginia, and Ms. Pelosi of California.

The message further announced that pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 1928a, and the order of the House of January 3, 2013, the Speaker appoints the following member on the part of the House of Representatives to the United States Group of the NATO Parliamentary Assembly: Mr. Turner of Ohio, Chairman.

The message also announced that pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 3003, and the order of the House of January 3, 2013, the Speaker appoints the following member on the part of the House of Representatives to the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Co-Chairman.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bills were read the first time:

H.R. 152. An act making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes.

S. 47. A bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-2. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmiting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fluroxypyr; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9371-1) received during recess of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 9, 2013; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EČ-3. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law,the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Contracting Activity Updates" ((RIN0750-AH81) (DFARS Case 2012-D045)) received during recess of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 9, 2013; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law,the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Definition of Cost or Pricing Data" ((RIN0750-AH49) (DFARS Case 2011-D040)) received during recess of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 9, 2013; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Patrick J. O'Reilly, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of four (4) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of major general and brigadier general, as indicated, in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.